



*** VERSION SHOWING CHANGES MADE ***

1. (Currently Amended) An adjustable gas nozzle comprising, in combination:

a nozzle body member having an elongated passageway therethrough with an inlet opening at a first end and an outlet at a second end;

a conduit connected to the nozzle body member;

an adjustment member disposed intermediate the conduit and the nozzle body member and having a first non-adjustable restricted orifice at the end of the adjustment member proximate to the first end of the nozzle body member;

a coupling between said conduit and said body member to permit first and second alternative positions therebetween;

a by-pass passageway around the adjusting member and said first restricted orifice;

cooperative surfaces in said first position to seal between said body member and said adjusting member to close off flow through said by-pass passageway to permit a first gas flow through the two outlets in series so that gas flow rate is regulated by said first restricted orifice;

cooperating means associated with said adjusting member and said conduit upstream of said cooperating surfaces for limiting the displacement of said nozzle body member relative to said conduit in said first position;

said nozzle body member being moveable into said second position relative to said conduit to relieve the seal between the said body member and said adjusting member to permit a second gas flow of an amount greater than said first gas flow through the combination of said first restricted orifice and said by-pass passageway; and

a seal provided between said conduit and said nozzle body member to preclude leakage of gas therebetween, said seal comprising integral surfaces on said nozzle body member and said conduit.

2. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 1, wherein said seal comprises ribs on said conduit.

3. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 1, wherein the material of one of said conduit and body member is harder than the other.

4. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 3, wherein said seal comprises ribs on said conduit.

5. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 4, wherein the material of the conduit and ribs is harder than the nozzle body member.

6. (Currently Amended) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 1, wherein said restricted orifices and said outlet are coaxial, and said first restricted orifice is smaller than the outlet of said nozzle body member.

7. (Previously Presented) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 1, wherein said cooperating means includes an annular shoulder about an anterior wall of said conduit; and

a plurality of legs elongated longitudinally along the adjusting member spaced longitudinally from the outlet of said adjusting member and positionable on said annular shoulder, the space between adjacent legs providing the by-pass passageway for gas flow therebetween when said cooperative surfaces are not engaged.

8. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 7, wherein said seal comprises ribs on the conduit.

9. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 7, wherein the material of one of said conduit and body member is harder than the other.

10. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 9, wherein said seal comprises ribs on said conduit.

11. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 10, wherein the material of the conduit and ribs is harder than the nozzle body member.

12. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 6, wherein said cooperating means includes an annular shoulder about an anterior wall of said conduit; and

a plurality of legs elongated longitudinally along the adjusting member spaced longitudinally from the outlet of said adjusting member and positionable on said shoulder, the space between adjacent legs providing a passageway for gas flow therebetween when said cooperative surfaces are not engaged.

13. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 12, wherein said seal comprises ribs on the conduit.

14. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 13, wherein the material of one of said conduit and body member is harder than the other.

15. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 14, wherein said seal comprises ribs on said conduit.

16. (Original) An adjustable gas nozzle as recited in claim 15, wherein the material of the conduit and ribs is harder than the nozzle body member.